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**DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR  
DESIGN  
PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

Declaration Submitted With Initial Filing       Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing (surcharge 37 CFR 1.16 (e) required)

OR

Attorney Docket Number	8312-7/05.1816.6.do
First Named Inventor	Ernest de RUITER
COMPLETE IF KNOWN	
Application Number	
Filing Date	
Art Unit	
Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned

I hereby declare that:

Each inventor's residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to their name.

I believe that the inventor(s) named below to be the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

ACTIVATED CHARCOAL PRODUCTION

*(Title of the Invention)*

The specification of which

is attached hereto  
OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) 07/24/2004 as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number EP2004/008314 and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) 04/01/2005 (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part-applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119 (a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached? Yes	Certified Copy Attached? No
103 37 100.1	DE	08/11/2003	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
103 43 637.5	DE	09/20/2003	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

Additional foreign application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

I hereby claim the benefit under U35 USC 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

Application Number(s)	Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	<input type="checkbox"/> Additional provisional application numbers are listed on a supplemental priority data sheet PTO/SB/02B attached hereto.

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NAME OF SOLE OR FIRST INVENTOR:		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor.		
Given Name (first and middle [if any])	Ernest		Family Name or Surname	De RUITER
Inventor's Signature	<i>X the Ernest ole Ruitier</i>			Date <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> January 23, 2006
Residence: City	State	Country	Citizenship	
Leverkusen		Germany	the Netherlands	
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Höhenstrasse 57a				
City	State	ZIP	Country	
D-51381 Leverkusen			Germany	
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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional inventors are being named on the _____ supplemental Additional Inventor(s) sheet(s) PTO/SB/02A attached hereto.				

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I hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney given in the above-identified application.

I hereby appoint:

- Practitioners associated with the Customer Number: 30565  
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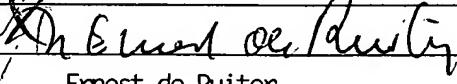
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I am the:

- Applicant/Inventor  
 Assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.  
*Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96)*

SIGNATURE of Applicant or Assignee of Record

Signature		Date	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> January 23, 2006
Name	Ernest de Ruiter	Telephone	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Title and Company	Senior Consultant	of Blöcher GmbH	

NOTE: Signatures of all of the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below.

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**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

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Applicant/Patent Owner:	Blücher GmbH	
Application No./Patent No:		
Entitled:	ACTIVATED CHARCOAL PRODUCTION	
Blücher GmbH	a.	Filed/Issue Date: <b>16720 Reg'd 09 FEB 2006</b>
(Name of Assignee)		corporation
(Type of Assignee, e.g., Corporation, Partnership, University, Government Agency, etc.)		

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States that it is:

- The assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
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The extent (by percentage) of its ownership interest is: \_\_\_\_\_ %.

In the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

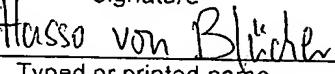
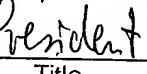
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 Copies of assignments or other documents in the chain of title are attached.

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

  
Signature  
  
Typed or printed name  
  
Title

  
January 23, 2006  
Date  
  
Telephone Number

This collection of information is required by 37 CFR 3.73(b). The information is required to obtain or retain a benefit by the public which is to file (and by the USPTO to process) an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.11 and 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450. If you need assistance in completing the form, call 1-800-PTO-9199 and select option 2.

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## ASSIGNMENT

WHEREAS, Ernest de Ruiter of Höhenstrasse 57a, D-51381 Leverkusen, Germany, hereinafter referred to as Assignor, has made a new and useful invention in Activated Charcoal Production for which Assignor has made or will make application for Letters Patent of the United States; and

WHEREAS, Blücher GmbH, hereinafter referred to as Assignee, a corporation of Germany having a principal place of business at Mettmanner Strasse 25, D-40699 Erkrath, Germany, desires to acquire all of the entire right, title, and interest in, to and under said invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application, and in, to and under any and all Letters Patent, United States and foreign, which may be obtained therefor and thereon;

NOW, THEREFORE, To All Whom It May Concern, be it known that for and in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) and other good, valuable and sufficient considerations to Assignor in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, Assignor has sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents does sell, assign and transfer unto Assignee, all of the entire right, title and interest in, to and under said invention disclosed, described and claimed or intended so to be in said application, and in, to and under said application for United States Letters Patent executed by Assignor this ✓ the 23rd day of ✓ January , 2006, and any and all other applications thereon and arising therefrom, including any and all divisions and continuations thereof, and any and all patents to be issued and obtained therefor and thereon, United States and foreign, including all reissues and extensions thereof..

Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the firm of Woodard, Emhardt, Moriarty, McNett & Henry LLP of Bank One Center/Tower, 111 Monument Circle, Suite 3700, Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-5137 to insert here in parentheses (Serial No.

Filed \_\_\_\_\_) the date and serial number of said application when officially known, and Assignor hereby authorizes and requests the Honorable Commissioner of Patents to issue said Letters Patent to Assignee, its assigns and legal representatives.

Assignor agrees to sign and execute any and all other papers necessary or desirable for the procurement of Letters Patent on said Inventions in this and all foreign countries for the use of Assignee.

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WITNESS Assignor's hand this ✓ 23 day of ✓ January, 2006.

Ernest de Ruiter  
Ernest de Ruiter

Witnessed by:

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